

AT THE 'VILLE.

The annual railroad ball, May 1, was a great success. The ball was well decorated under the direction of W. H. Parker. Music was furnished by Mrs. Brook's orchestra, with Carl C. Lund, cellist, and they gave a fine concert before the dancing began. Almost 50 couples participated in the grand march, led by Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Paige, and quite a number of others came in later. Refreshments were served in the hall by the Universalist Ladies' Aid Society, and in general a fine time was enjoyed.

Mrs. H. E. Polson, Mrs. Charles Darling, Mrs. L. C. Todd, Miss Avis Todd, and Miss Ida Pearl visited Boston last week.

The Village Improvement Society have purchased and set out a dozen young cut leaf maple trees on the various parks around town.

Rev. George Mead preached his farewell sermon at the Episcopal church last Sunday. It is expected that Bishop Hall will make his annual visit here next Sunday.

The young ladies' whist club have held their last meeting, Miss Ethel Sleeper being the winning side. Miss Sadie Ayer's side as the losers will have to entertain the others in any way they chose.

Columbian Temple, No. 8, of the Rathbone Sisters, held a whist party in the K. P. hall Friday evening, which was well attended. Refreshments were served.

The copper roofing is now being put on the library building which is rapidly approaching completion.

Henry Oldys of Washington, the eminent Methodist, gave a fine lecture on our native birds in Music hall Tuesday evening. He imitates very accurately all the birds' songs and calls. Mr. Oldys also took out a small party of bird enthusiasts Tuesday afternoon and gave them much valuable and interesting information. The lecture was given under the auspices of Lyndon Institute.

Miss Mabel Granger has finished work for Mrs. F. J. Willey, and gone to Montpelier where she has a position as assistant matron. Mrs. L. H. Gordon and Miss Nellie Amidon are working for Mrs. Willey.

Extensive repairs and improvements are soon to be made on the railroad shops. A new blacksmith shop is to be built, the present one being used for a tailor shop, and the tin shop moved into the present boiler shop. A lot of new and improved machinery is to be installed. The efficient management of C. B. Hutchinson has made the shops most prosperous and successful and never has their outward appearance been neater and more attractive. It is well worth a visit to see the smooth greensward, the flower beds and the neat and tidy walks and lawns all around the well kept buildings. Few factories appear as well.

A petition in bankruptcy has been filed by Edward E. Grant. He has liabilities of \$1073.41 and assets of \$95.

RYEGATE.

The funeral of Mrs. Charles Pike occurred Wednesday afternoon, Rev. J. A. McKim officiating. Burial in Ryegate cemetery.

Edwin McKim and Edson Nelson of St. Johnsbury Academy were at their homes over Sunday.

Andrew M. Kuy is working in Jersey Hill creamery for a few days.

Charles Pike is stopping at William Taylor's for a time.

Miss Jennie Rhodes spent Friday in St. Johnsbury.

The literary meeting will be held at J. H. Nelson's, Thursday evening.

The Christian Endeavor Society will give an entertainment in the vestry Friday evening.

Judge T. A. Meader was in St. Johnsbury Saturday on business.

LOWER WATERFORD.

Allen Ayers of Bethlehem, is a guest of C. R. Phillips.

George Bonnette of St. Johnsbury spent Sunday with his brother, D. C. Bonnette.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Morrison of Lunenburg and Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Blodgett of St. Johnsbury were guests of their father, A. E. Blodgett, Sunday.

Several from here attended the dance at Arthur Young's last week Tuesday evening and report a good time.

Mrs. F. A. Cutting and mother, Mrs. Thomas, of West Littleton, visited friends in town recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wallace left Thursday for their new home in Littleton.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mullikin spent Sunday at East Barnet.

Rev. W. R. Davenport of Barre gave a temperance lecture in the church last Monday evening. He came in the interests of the Anti-Saloon League.

SOUTH PEACOCK.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Dunn have been spending several days visiting their daughter and other friends in Ryegate.

B. L. Gadley went to Boston on a business trip Monday. Mrs. Gadley and Miss Mabel Darling are at present with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Darling.

Misses Maud, Blanche and Margaret Guthrie attended the educational meetings at St. Johnsbury this week.

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WEST DANVILLE.

Mr. Elphinstone is moving to Hardwick. His wife is somewhat improved in health.

William Waldo has traded with Chester Eaton for his farm, stock, and farming tools, and will move there at once. He will board Mr. Eaton and take care of him through the remainder of his life.

George W. Cook has 14 nice cottage lots already surveyed and has 25 more. He is setting out a lot of North Carolina poplars on the point, which will add greatly to the attractions of the lots. He has named his point "Poplar Point," which contains three acres of nice dry land. It is the point that runs out from the main road into the lake at the first narrows.

Mrs. S. A. Whiting is visiting friends at Haverhill, N. H., for a few days.

Mrs. Adolphus Sweetser, sister of E. A. Whitney, who has been staying with him for several months, will return to her home in Wakefield, Mass., today.

Percy Pressey, our station agent is back in the station again, after his illness with the measles.

Mrs. O. B. Flint is no better.

William McFarlin is building two extra piazzas on Morris Page's cottage, also a barn.

Joel Bean from Lawrence, Mass., is visiting his mother, Mrs. Hannah Bean. He has accepted a position as manager of a butter store in Leominster, Mass., with the National Butter Co. of Boston. His many friends wish him success.

The school teachers and scholars observed Arbor Day by fixing up the school yard and setting out maple trees, which adds very much to the surroundings of the new, modern schoolhouse.

Schools were closed Monday and Tuesday, the teachers attending the educational meeting at St. Johnsbury.

The fishing season opened May 1, for catching perch and quite a few have been caught.

Ralph Merrill is assisting Don C. Stiles in his store at St. Johnsbury.

EAST CONCORD.

Mrs. Richard Hoyt of Windsor, and little Clara Tinker of St. Johnsbury, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Grant.

Hattie Grant is caring for her sister, Mrs. James Grant, who is now convalescing.

Wesley Porter is very ill at the home of his sister in North Littleton.

Miss Katie Cutting is visiting at Mrs. D. C. Isham's for a few weeks.

Ben Sayers and Mrs. Kate Vincent are making quite extensive repairs on the interior of their houses.

George Morrill has so far recovered from his recent illness as to be at work.

Mrs. Jennie Whitaker of Whitefield visited her mother, Mrs. Susan Morrill last week.

Miss Grace Steere is stopping at Robert Pike's in Waterford for a few weeks.

Mrs. Clark Steere has been quite ill the past week.

Eddie Lemon of Boston is stopping with his aunt, Mrs. Gertrude Wandless.

Mrs. Calvin Breakwood spent last Monday with Mrs. W. R. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Fisk have closed their pleasant home in this village and moved to Lunenburg for the summer, where he has a large building job.

Eugene Moulton has taken a part of Mrs. Electa Fisher's farm to carry on the coming season.

Carol Bishop has the measles.

George Bishop and Mrs. Wyman Couley are slowly recovering from their serious illnesses.

GROTON.

Aaron Page left Thursday for Plymouth, Mich., where he intends to locate.

Mrs. Etta Anderson is visiting friends in Barre.

The team of Ed Colby figured in a lively runaway Wednesday.

Mrs. Ellsworth Arthur was in Woodsville, Friday.

Mrs. C. F. Robinson was at her mother's, Mrs. A. M. Heath, over Sunday.

Emma Jones was in Montpelier several days last week.

The Groton Juniors are scheduled to play So. Ryegate at Ryegate, Saturday.

Lewis Keenan driver on R. F. D. route No. 4, has purchased a special wagon for his business.

J. H. Smith has purchased a nobby pair of gray horses for his livery.

Miss Mabel C. Orr was united in marriage to Ernest M. Russell of Barnet, Wednesday morning at the home of O. C. Frost, Rev. A. J. Hough performing the ceremony. They left immediately for Portland, Me.

Mrs. Polly Corruith and daughter, Rosa, have sold their residence to George A. Payne of South Ryegate.

George W. Morrison has graduated from the Bryant & Stratton business college at Manchester, N. H., and has accepted a position with the New Hampshire Fire Insurance Co.

A reception was tendered Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Crown Thursday evening.

Augustus Paris and Miss Alma Corruith were married last Tuesday evening by Rev. H. A. Calhoun. They have commenced housekeeping in the tenement of J. B. Renfrew.

PASSUMPSIC.

The meeting Sunday evening was led by Miss Ethel Cummings in the absence of Mrs. Nellie Symes. Special music was furnished by a quartet consisting of Miss Bessie Wright, Miss Julia Morgan, J. M. Pinney and William Sparrow.

A report was given of the Christian Endeavor rally in Lyndonville Friday, and a short address by the pastor on "The Wheat and the Tares," completed the program of the evening.

Mrs. Moses Stevens, who has been with her daughters, Mrs. C. E. Somerville at St. Johnsbury, and Miss Willis Barker at Waterford, for the winter, has returned to her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Symes and daughter Hildred, arrived Monday night from Groveton, N. H. They will spend the summer with Mr. Symes' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Symes.

The lecture given in the church Thursday evening by Rev. A. H. Gage of St. Johnsbury, was greatly enjoyed by all who heard it. Those who did not attend the entertainment, certainly have cause to regret it. The Passumpsic orchestra rendered some excellent music and the violin selection by Mr. Sparrow, Miss Dolly Thyn and Miss Irma King was especially enjoyed. The speaker was introduced by the pastor, Rev. A. S. Gilbert. The subject of the lecture was, "The World which is all Our Own."

SHEFFIELD.

All schools in town began this week.

H. E. Sheldon had bad luck at the mill Friday night, a large wheel burst and good sized pieces weighing several pounds were thrown through the roof. Iron rained all around but no one was hurt.

The Methodist church is being shingled and the Free Baptist church painted.

Frank Gray is moving onto the Aldis Barber farm and is to work for J. C. Barber.

F. H. Ingalls and wife were in town last week.

B. L. Hall is quite sick.

AT DANVILLE.

Mrs. W. N. West is at Brightlook Hospital for treatment.

Gillis & Colby have just received another carload of Kemp manure spreaders.

Mrs. Horace Rowe has returned from a two weeks' visit to her daughter, Mrs. Carl Lang, at East Barnet.

Dean Hal, who has been so seriously ill for some time, is able to attend school again.

C. H. Wilson's R. F. D. route has been extended to the corner by Lawrence LaPlant's. His route now covers 24 1/2 miles.

County Game Warden J. C. F. Richter of Peacham was here last week to investigate the case of a deer killed by dogs at North Danville. Several deer have been seen near here recently and William Somers saw one crossing Joe's Pond on the ice.

The W. C. T. U. meets with Miss Hattie Choate Friday afternoon.

Road Commissioner Henry Chalmers commenced Monday to repair the roads. He employs two machines and eight men.

Ira Preston has been at home ill the past week.

Mrs. E. K. Hill of Barre has been visiting at A. C. McLean's.

Mrs. Charles Fellows, who has been very ill, is able to be out.

C. S. Ranney, who has been very painfully ill with sciatic rheumatism for a long time, is slowly recovering.

The Herald Square Moving Picture Co. will exhibit at the Town Hall Friday evening. The company comes highly recommended and will give a good entertainment.

The following officers of Diamond Chapter O. E. S. were installed at the public installation Wednesday evening: W. M., Mrs. Anna H. Dole; W. P., Dr. H. M. Packer; A. M., Mrs. Kate Wilson; treasurer, Mrs. Anna L. Green; secretary, Mrs. Fannie E. Ranney; conductress, Mrs. Nellie Goss; also, conductress, Mrs. Annie R. Cass; Ada, Mrs. Flora Davis; Ruth, Miss Nellie Colby; Esther, Mrs. Minnie A. Ingalls; Martha, Mrs. Edith S. Moore; Electa, Mrs. Maggie Merrill; Warder, Mrs. Mary Smith; chaplain, Mrs. Cynthia Ainsworth; sentinel, George I. Green; organist, Charles H. Wilson.

Low price on grass seed and seed corn at Frazier's West Danville.

The many friends of Mrs. William Brown, of Barton, formerly of this place, will be sorry to learn that on April 26 she fell and broke her hip, and is in a critical condition.

NORTH DANVILLE.

H. A. Kelsey, who has spent the winter in the west and California, returned to his home last week.

Mrs. Gertrude (Gillman) Cale who has been living in Onawa, Iowa, is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. George D. Gilman.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Massey of St. Johnsbury spent Sunday with Mrs. Massey's parents Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Stevens.

Miss Mary Varnum who has been sick for a long time has so far recovered as to be able to ride out.

Rev. and Mrs. J. D. Waldron who have been visiting friends about here have decided to locate at West Charleston and go to that place this week.

Harley Ranney was quite seriously hurt while mill rolling logs at A. M. McFarland's mill Tuesday evening.

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LYNDON.

Mr. and Mrs. George Farrel of West Derby visited at Mrs. Euneline Kent's, Friday.

Corell and Julia Stuart came up from St. Johnsbury Friday to visit their grandmother, Mrs. Ellen A. Staples over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Knight of St. Johnsbury were at John Nichols' over Sunday.

Leon Badger went to Lakeport, N. H., last week Tuesday, to visit his brother, and will remain to do some work.

Mrs. Abbie Whitehill of Danville, was at Scott Farm's Tuesday on her way back from a visit at Haverhill, N. H.

Rev. and Mrs. Pease of Wheelock, were in the village Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Colley of Nevada, are visiting their sister, Mrs. John Coliston, not having seen her before for 25 years.

Rev. and Mrs. P. B. Fisk of St. Johnsbury Center called on friends in this village Monday on their way to Barton, to attend the wedding of a niece.

Mrs. L. W. Gray, who has been in very poor health through the winter, went to St. Johnsbury last week to consult a specialist and remained at her son's several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Wells Quimby and Mrs. Badger attended the funeral of their cousin, George Ladd, Thursday.

Tuesday they were also called to attend the funeral of another cousin, Mrs. Henry Gage, of Lyndon Center, who was also Mrs. Quimby's step-mother.

The food sale by the Sunshine society last Saturday was quite successful, clearing about \$5.

The ladies of the Congregational church are to have a food sale Saturday afternoon in the basement of the Gage block from 3 to 6 o'clock.

On the evening of May day, the Junior League distributed to the sick and the aged, prettily woven paper baskets of their own construction containing bunches of wild flowers. These were everywhere received with real pleasure and many expressed their thanks for the flowers and the thoughtfulness that prompted the kind deed.

Mrs. John Nichols has received a letter from her sister, Ella, Mrs. Stephen Stone, who went from this state to Kansas, 25 years ago, and only last September removed to Petaluma, a short distance from San Francisco, and purchased for themselves a pleasant home.

The earthquake damaged the house and, shock down the chimney, and she very narrowly escaped instant death from the falling bricks. She says every one cooks out of doors and few people dare sleep in their houses or remove their clothes at night.

Arbor Day was observed at the schoolhouse by appropriate songs and recitations, after which the scholars planted seven maple trees and made two nice flower beds, planting in them morning glories and nasturtiums.

The new president of the Village Improvement society, Mrs. George F. Ide, proves to be the right woman for the place and she is giving much time and attention to the work. At the depot work was commenced Arbor Day, which, when completed, will be a great transformation and must be appreciated by everyone. Many of our people have caught the spirit of improvement, beautifying their own lawns and the grounds adjoining.

The Epworth League held its annual meeting for the election of officers last week Tuesday evening and the following were elected for the coming year: President, Mrs. Ellen A. Staples; 1st vice president, Mrs. Della M. Goud; 2nd vice president, Mrs. Bertha Shaw; 3rd vice president, Mrs. Eliza Grant; 4th vice pres, Mrs. Nellie Parson; secretary, Lewis Dana; treasurer, Mrs. Estella Quimby. A short program was rendered and refreshments were served wrapped in dainty May baskets. The literary and social department have done excellent work the past year and the Tuesday evening meetings have been very instructive and interesting.

The personal property of the John Fisher estate will be sold at auction next Saturday at 1 o'clock, at his late home in "Red Village." F. W. Silsby is the auctioneer and a lot of useful articles will be sold.

WALDEN.

Low price on grass seed and seed corn at Frazier's West Danville.

GREENSBORO.

The ice went out of the lake Sunday. Fishermen have been busy on the shore and with the limited amount of boating available the past week, have landed some fine trout and salmon.

Mrs. George Allen has been quite seriously ill for several days.

Sam Ladd is working for Mrs. Mattie Gebbie.

Harley Haines was in Cabot over Sunday to see his father and brother.

Erwin Bullard assisted Mr. Messer in the creamery while Mr. Haines was away.

Will Fitch pulled in two trout Monday that weighed eight pounds each.

Mrs. Harriet Cobb of Waterloo, Iowa, is spending a few weeks in this her native town.

Mrs. J. H. McCloud of Hardwick was a guest of Mrs. W. G. Goss over Sunday.

Workmen are plastering B. M. Willey's store.

Master Robert Willey is visiting his grandparents in Waterbury.

County C. E. Convention.

The Caledonia County Christian Endeavor Convention was held in the Congregational church at Lyndonville, Friday. The session was a very successful one and about 100 were present from the surrounding towns and villages. The meeting opened at 10:30 with Rev. O. E. Hardy of East Burke presiding. After the devotional exercises, which were led by Mr. Hardy, five minute addresses were given by the presidents of each society, on the theme, "What I Most Desire to See Brought About in My Society." It was expressed by some of the presidents that we aim at definite results and plan for definite things, no matter how small they may be. We should make it our chief aim to work together, give the leaders of the meeting more assistance, begin our meetings promptly, and aim to get large numbers. At the close of these addresses a delicious dinner was served by the group ladies of the local society in the vestry of the church.

Devotional exercises were held at 1:30 led by Rev. E. T. French of Lyndonville, followed with interesting addresses by Rev. J. W. Hird of Waterford, who gave an instructive talk on "How we got our Bible." Rev. E. E. Grant of East St. Johnsbury followed with equally as interesting an address on "How to Use the Bible for Devotional Purposes," giving his listeners instructive thoughts as to what the bible is intended for and how to treat the book. Rev. A. S. Gilbert of Passumpsic dwelt on the subject "How to Use the Bible for Study." He said we must study the book from the author's view, therefore we must look from God's point. It is a book that is absolutely right and must not be criticized.

Secretary Von Ogden Vogt, of the International Christian Endeavor Union was the next speaker. Although his time was limited he gave a short, but interesting address on the different Christian Endeavor societies in general, saying that there was great progress in Brazil and India. Some services are held in the streets and the meetings are largely attended. The International Christian Endeavor society aim for 1,000,000 new members this year and plan for a great awakening in the Christian Endeavor work. At the close of his address general questions were asked, which were answered by Secretary Vogt.

The business meeting which followed was short and matters relative to more practical and effective working of the Union are to be considered at an executive meeting to be held in the near future. Mention was made of the Conference to be held at Lake George, July 20 to 29. The matter is left in the hands of the county president, C. Dwight Colledge, of this place, and the Secretary, Miss Helen L. Graves of St. Johnsbury Center. Any one wishing for information may obtain the same of the above before the 15th of May. A tempting supper was served to the remaining delegates, and a praise service followed. Rev. Dr. Edward D. Eaton was the speaker of the evening and the audience was delighted with his scholarly and pleasing address. The Lyndonville friends deserve much praise for their hospitality, and the success of the convention.

East St. Johnsbury.

Mrs. Carlos Newton has sold her place in this village to James Winslow. Mrs. Newton, whose health is still very poor, will go to Lunenburg to live with her daughter, Mrs. Nellie Phillips.

Edgar Cushman has let his farm to his sons, Walter and Edward.

Frank Foster has opened a meat market in Mrs. H. H. Moulton's house. All wish him success in his new enterprise.

While Mrs. G. W. Dodge and Mrs. Charles Owens were out driving Sunday afternoon their horse became frightened near George Stiles' place and suddenly turned, throwing Mrs. Owens out of the carriage. She received some painful bruises, but is recovering.

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ANOTHER SUNDAY FIRE.

Big Damage by Water and Smoke in the Merchants Bank Block.

Just before 4 o'clock Sunday morning Mrs. Lena Arnold, who lives in one of the upper stories of the Merchants Bank block discovered the building on fire and quickly aroused Chief of Police Noyes, who has rooms on the third floor. The other tenants were immediately notified and the alarm given. The firemen responded promptly to the call and great credit is due them for their persistent and heroic work. Within a short time the fire was under control, though it was necessary to chop many holes in the walls as the fire was almost entirely confined to the partitions. For four hours three streams of water were poured into the building and the damage by water fell heaviest on Asselin Brothers the clothing firm. They estimate their loss at \$10,000 and their insurance is \$15,000, divided among the following companies: Vermont Mutual \$3,000; Merchants and Farmers, London, Traders, New Hampshire, Fire Association, Continental, Liverpool, London & Globe, Insurance Company of North America, Aetna, Pennsylvania, Boston, and Cambridge, \$1,000 each.

The Merchants Bank are the next heaviest losers and their loss is about \$5,000, fully covered by insurance. They carried an insurance of over \$20,000 in the following companies: Union Mutual \$2,500; Vermont Mutual \$5,000; British America, \$1,302.64; Phoenix of Hartford \$2,105.28; Williamsburg City \$2,105.28; Hartford \$2,500; Springfield \$2,500. As soon as their loss is adjusted they will immediately rebuild the upper stories and put the block in first-class shape.

Brunelle & Asselin occupied a room in the basement and suffered considerable damage by water. Their loss is covered by insurance.

The bank boys had time to save the furniture of the bank and the office supplies, so the only damage done in the bank rooms was by water.

The fire caught in a room adjoining the law office of Robert W. Simonds from some unknown cause and all Mr. Simonds' law books were next to the partition where the fire started. His library which he valued at over \$1,000 was insured for \$750 in the Vermont Mutual. In the same room were the offices of A. B. Noyes, the insurance agent, and the local representative of the International Correspondence Schools. Both gentlemen saved their personal effects and the fire and water only slightly damaged their desks. Adjoining them was the tailor shop of John C. Stevens. His loss will be under \$500 and he had a policy of \$